State/District	*Reserves (In 000' tonnes)*
Mayurbhanj	2,260
Balasore	1,200
India - Total	*18,502*

(b) Porduction of ferro-vanadium in the country during the year 1989 (Prov.) stood at 68.94 tonnes.

(c) The consumption of ferro-vanadium in the country during 1988 was 240 tonnes whereas the total world consumption during that year stood at 33,200 tonnes.

Coking coal for Visakhapatnam Steel Plant

5299. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated requirement of coking coal by the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant per annum;

(b) the sources of supply of coking coal;

(c) whether any coking coal is likely to be imported; and

(d) if so, the outgo of foreign exchange as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (d). The estimated coking coal requirement for VSP for the year 1992-93 is approximately 3.10 million tonnes. A quantity of 0.90 million tonnes medium coking coal is expected to be supplied from indigenous sources, mostly from the washeries of Central Coal Field Limited. The balance quantity of 2.20 million tonnes of coking coal will be imported at an approximate cost of $ 110 million F.O.B. prices.

[*Translation*]

Appointments of SC/ST Candidates

5300. SHRI MAHESH KANODIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) the number of candidates belonging to scheduled castes and scheduled tribes appointed under the special drive by his Ministry from June 1990 to October 1990;

(b) whether the Ministry also launched any such special drive in 1991 for filling up the backlog; and

(c) if so, the total number of appointments made in this connection?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFROMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) The infromation is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) Yes, Sir,

(c) The infromation is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

Electronic Exchanges in Madhya Pradesh

5301. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :